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MSIP opens season in Bozeman

Montana Shakespeare in the Parks launches its 41st season at the Grove at Montana State University in Bozeman with productions of two favorites, “As You Like It,” June 18-21 and “Romeo and Juliet,” June 25-28.

Kevin Asselin, the company’s new executive artistic director, set the production of “As You Like It” in 1917 Montana, where brave Rosalind leaves the world of Butte’s Copper Kings and finds refuge in the forested communities of northwest Montana. The setting was inspired by the documentary “Butte, America.”

Last produced by Shakespeare in the Parks in 2004, “Romeo and Juliet” is the classic story of beauty, youth, and love destroyed at the height of passion. The 2014 production will be set in a timeless romantic landscape and is directed by Will Dickerson, who returns to MSIP for his fourth season as director.

After opening the season in Bozeman, MSIP travels to 60 communities, offering 75 free performances throughout Montana, northern Wyoming, eastern Idaho, western North Dakota and eastern Washington with an emphasis on underserved, rural areas.

For more information, call 406-994-3303 or visit www.shakespeareintheparks.org.

ARTS CALENDAR, MAY/JUNE

Anaconda

May 15
John Davidson - 7:30 p.m., Washoe Theater, Anaconda Live, 406-563-2606
May 17
Andrew Gromiller and the Organically Grown - 8 p.m., Fairmont Hot Springs Resort, 406-797-3241

Augusta

June 8
Reading: Gwen Florio - 1-4 p.m., Latigo and Lace, 406-562-3665

Belgrade

May 16
Jason Boland and the Stragglers - 8 p.m., Silver Spur Arena, 406-581-5717
June 18
“A Visit with Teddy Roosevelt” - 6-7 p.m., Community Library, 406-243-6022

Big Timber

May 29
Andrew Gromiller and the Organically Grown - 7 p.m., Cottonwood Cinema, 406-932-4060
June 30
“Romeo and Juliet” - 6:30 p.m., Lions Club Park, Montana Shakespeare in the Parks, 406-994-3901

Bigfork

May 3
“Cinderella – A New Adaptation” - 1 and 7 p.m., Bigfork Center for the Performing Arts, Stillwater Christian School, 406-837-4885
May 4
Taste of Bigfork - 2-5 p.m., downtown, 406-837-5888
May 10-11
“Cinderella” - Bigfork Center for the Performing Arts, 406-755-0760
May 16-17, 23-24, 30-31, June 11, 14, 17, 19, 23, 28
“You’re A Good Man, Charlie Brown” - 8 p.m., Bigfork Summer Playhouse, 406-837-4886
May 17
Spring Art Walk - downtown, 406-837-5429
June 7, 12, 16, 20, 25, 30
“West Side Story” - 8 p.m., Bigfork Summer Playhouse, 406-837-4886
June 10, 13, 18, 21, 26
“Thoroughly Modern Millie” - 8 p.m., Bigfork Summer Playhouse, 406-837-4886
June 24, 27
“Tarzan – The Stage Musical” - 8 p.m., Bigfork Summer Playhouse, 406-837-4886

Billings

May 2
Art Walk - 5-9 p.m., downtown, 406-259-6563
May 2-4, 8-11, 15-17
“Chemical Imbalance” - Billings Studio Theatre, 406-248-1141
May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Friday Night Comedy - 8 p.m., R Club, 406-867-8302
May 2 & June 6
Jam at the YAM - 5:30-8 p.m., Yellowstone Art Museum, 406-256-6804
May 3
The Cold Hard Cash Show and The Velvet Elvis - 8 p.m., Carlin Hotel and Events Center, 406-245-7515
Dance Showcase 2014! - 7 p.m., Lincoln Auditorium, Billings Brain Injury Support Group, 406- 656-2744

May 5
“The Greatest Love of All,” The Whitney Houston Show - 7:30 p.m., Alberta Bair Theater, 406-256-6052

May 6
Arlo Guthrie - 7:30 p.m., Alberta Bair Theater, 406-256-6052
May 6, 13, 20, 27
Spring Tours - Moss Mansion, 406-256-5100

May 7
Mel Tillis - 7:30 p.m., Alberta Bair Theater, 406-256-6052
May 10
Comedy Tsunami: A Night of Sparkling Champagne and Serious Laughs - 7 p.m., Red Door Lounge, 406-259-6419

May 11-12
Rock Sirenz - 7:30 p.m., Alberta Bair Theater, 406-256-6052

May 11
Shall We Dance - 4-7 p.m., Shrine Auditorium, 406-259-4384
Slayer - 7:30 p.m., Shrine Auditorium, 406-259-4384

May 12-17
Wine and Food Festival - MSU Billings, 406-657-2244

May 13
Theory of a Deadman - 7 p.m., Babcock Theatre, 406-259-7123

May 15
High Noon Speaker Series: Loren Entz - noon, Western Heritage Center, 406-256-6809
“Perspectives on Surrealism and Gender” - 6:30-7:30 p.m., Yellowstone Art Museum, 406-256-6804

May 16-18, 23-24, 29-31
“Little Shop of Horrors” - NOVA Center for the Performing Arts, 406-591-9535

May 17
Heritage Home Tour - 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Moss Mansion, 406-256-5100
Tech N9ne - 7:30 p.m., Babcock Theatre, 406-259-7123

May 22
The Exquisite Corpse and Other Surrealist Parlor Games - 6:30 p.m., Yellowstone Art Museum, 406-256-6804

May 29
Grieves - 8 p.m., Carlin Hotel and Events Center, 866-300-8300

June 5
Kenny Rogers - 7:30 p.m., Alberta Bair Theater, 406-256-6052

June 6-8, 12-15, 19-22, 26-28
“Shrek, The Musical” - Billings Studio Theatre, 406-248-1141

June 7
SpringFest - 9-5 p.m., Moss Mansion, 406-256-5100

June 14
YAM B-Day Bash - Yellowstone Art Museum, 406-256-6804

June 21
YAM Publication Sale - Yellowstone Art Museum, 406-256-6804

June 25
Kenny Wizz: Micahel Jackson’s “Thriller,” 7:30 p.m., Alberta Bair Theater, 406-256-6052

June 26
“Herb and Dorothy” - Yellowstone Art Museum, 406-256-6804

June 28
“The Dog Soldier Ledgerbook: A Source for Indian History” - 1-2 p.m., Pictograph Cave State Park, 406-243-6022
Vintage Vehicle Show - 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Yellowstone Art Museum, 406-256-6804

June 29
Symphony in the Park - 4-9 p.m., Pioneer Park, 406-252-3610

Boulder

June 15
Brother Van’s Cowboy Poetry and Old-Time Music Festival - 3 p.m., Methodist Church, 406-202-4048

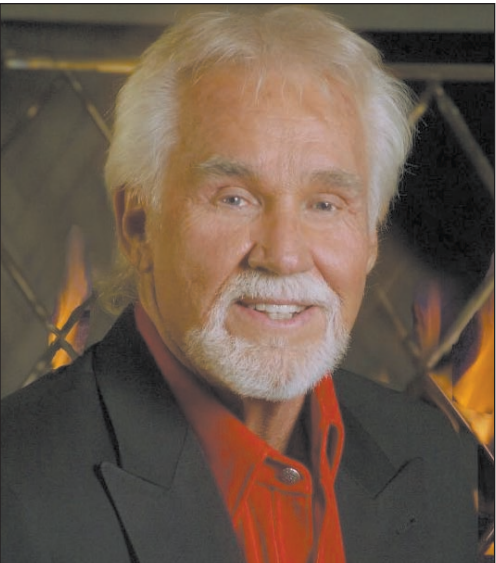
Bozeman

May 2-3
“Tales on the Verge” - 8 p.m., Verge Theater, 406-587-0737

May 3
Arlo Guthrie, “Here Come the Kids” - 8 p.m., Ellen Theatre, 406-585-5885



Yellowstone Ballet presents “Cinderella” May 3-4 in Bozeman. Other “Cinderella” productions are also playing at venues in Deer Lodge and Bigfork during May. (Photo by CJ Photography)



Kenny Rogers comes to Billings June 5.

May 3-4
“Cinderella” - 4 p.m., Willson Auditorium, 406-224-8801

May 3, 10, 17
Silly Moose Comedy Improv Show - 2 p.m., Verge Theater, 406-587-0737

May 6, June 3
Gallatin Art Crossing Art Lecture Series - 7 p.m., Bozeman Public Library, 406-582-2426

May 7
PercOrchestra - 7 p.m., Bozeman Public Library, 406-582-2426

May 9
“Winter in the Blood” - 7:30 p.m., Emerson Cultural Center, Bozeman Film Festival, 406-570-0542

May 10
“La Cenerentola” - 11 a.m., Gallatin Valley Mall Cinema, 406-326-3264

May 14
Chris Robinson Brotherhood - 8 p.m., Emerson Center, 406-586-1922

May 16, 18
“La Cenerentola” - Willson Auditorium, 406-587-2889

May 16-17, 23-24, 30-31
“The Last Five Years” - 8 p.m., Verge Theater, 406-587-0737

May 17
Get Published Conference for Writers - 9 a.m., Best Western GranTree Inn, 406-599-4433
The BIG Event - Gallatin River Hideaway, 406-587-1216

May 20-22
Andrew Gromiller and the Organically Grown - 7 p.m., Verge Theater, 406-587-0737

May 23
“American Indian Music: Even More Than Drums and Flutes” - noon-1 p.m., Bozeman Public Library, 406-243-6022

June 13
Art Walk - 6-8 p.m., downtown and The Emerson, 406-586-4008

June 14
Western Rendezvous - 4 p.m.-midnight, Eagle Mount Arena, 406-586-1781

June 16, 23, 30
Jazz and More ... with Kelly Roberti - 7 p.m., Bozeman Public Library, 406-582-2426

June 18-21
“As You Like It” - 8 p.m., MSU Grove, Montana Shakespeare in the Parks, 406-994-3901

June 21
“Untrammelled” Film and Concert - 6 p.m., Lindley Park Pavilion, 406-556-2822

June 25-28
“Romeo and Juliet” - 8 p.m., MSU Grove, Montana Shakespeare in the Parks, 406-994-3901

June 26
Music on Main - 6:30-8:30 p.m., Main Street, 406-586-4008

June 29
The Day on the Green: The Hooligans - 4-7 p.m., Bozeman Public Library Plaza, 406-582-2426

Butte

May 2, June 6
Art Walk - 5-9 p.m., uptown, 406-497-6464

June 14
Miners Union Day - 9 a.m., World Museum of Mining, 406-723-7211

Corvallis

June 7
“Mrs. Woody’s Trunk Full of Memories” - noon-1 p.m., Simpson Lane, 406-243-6022

Creston

May 10, 17-18
Bibler Home and Gardens Spring Tours - 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m., Bibler Gardens, 406-756-3632

May 11
Mother’s Day Brunch - 11 a.m., Bibler Gardens, 406-756-3632